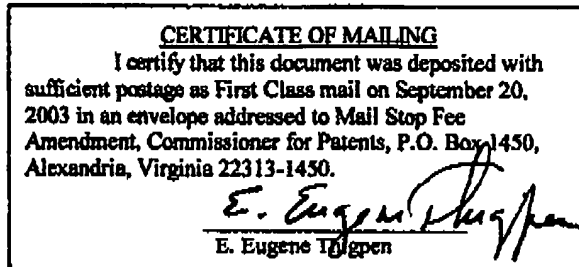


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**(A) Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003, Applicants respectfully submit the following Response to Office Action for consideration by the Examiner. A Petition for Extension of Time for three months is submitted herewith, along with the fee for the Petition. A check in the amount of \$930.00 is submitted herewith. A response is now due on or before September 26, 2003. Reconsideration and Reexamination is respectfully requested.